

Chronology: Pre-The Stone Roses

THE STONE ROSES	MUSIC	CURRENT AFFAIRS	CULTURE
<p>1980</p> <p>Art created by John Squire in this year (details of artwork included here, if not documented elsewhere on site): None.</p> <p>March The Patrol play their first gig, at Sale Annexe Youth Club, (admission 30p). Support is provided by Suburban Chaos.</p> <p>Date N/K Ian Brown and Pete Garner attend the</p>	<p>45s: David Bowie, Ashes to Ashes; Michael Jackson, Rock with You; Bob Marley and the Wailers, Could You Be Loved; Visage, Fade to Grey; Bruce Springsteen, Hungry Heart; AC/DC, You Shook Me All Night Long; The Clash, Bankrobber; The Jam, Going Underground; Pink Floyd, Another Brick in the Wall (Part II); The Police, Don't Stand So Close To Me; Blondie, Atomic & The Tide Is High; Madness, Baggy Trousers; Queen, Crazy Little Thing Called Love & Another One Bites the Dust; Kelly Marie, Feels Like I'm In Love; Dexy's Midnight Runners, Geno; Talking Heads, Once in a Lifetime; Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers, Here Comes My Girl; Diana Ross, Upside Down; Pop Musik, M; Roxy Music, Over You; Paul McCartney, Coming Up. LPs: Genesis, Duke; Adam and the Ants, Kings of the Wild Frontier; The Pretenders, Pretenders U2, Boy; Joy Division, Closer; Kate Bush, Never for Ever; David Bowie, Scary Monsters (and Super Creeps); Prince, Dirty Mind; Stevie Wonder, Hotter than July; Dexy's Midnight Runners, Searching For The Young Soul Rebels; John Lennon & Yoko Ono, Double Fantasy; Devo, Freedom of Choice; The Psychedelic Furs, The Psychedelic Furs.</p> <p>February 19 Bon Scott, lead singer of AC/DC, dies of alcohol poisoning.</p>	<p>February 22 The United States Olympic Hockey Team defeats the Soviet Union in the semi finals of the Winter Olympics, in the 'Miracle on Ice'.</p> <p>March 4 Robert Mugabe is elected Prime Minister of Zimbabwe. 21 U.S. President Jimmy Carter announces that the U.S. will boycott the 1980 Summer Olympics in Moscow. 24 Archbishop Óscar</p>	<p>Cinema: The Empire Strikes Back; Raging Bull; Superman II; The Elephant Man; The Shining; Dressed to Kill; Nine to Five; Heaven's Gate; Caddyshack; Friday the 13th; The Long Good Friday; Ordinary People; The Blues Brothers; Airplane!; Fame; Flash Gordon. d. Alfred Hitchcock (Apr 29), Peter Sellers (Jul 24), Steve McQueen (Nov 7), Mae West (Nov 22), George Raft (Nov 24), Raoul Walsh (Dec 31).</p> <p>Fiction: Frederick Forsyth, The Devil's Alternative; L. Ron Hubbard, Battlefield Earth; Umberto Eco, The Name of the Rose; Robert Ludlum, The Bourne Identity.</p> <p>Non-fiction: Carl Sagan, Cosmos. d. Jean-Paul Sartre (Apr 15).</p> <p>TV / Media: Millions of viewers tune into the U.S. TV soap Dallas to learn who shot lead character J.R. Ewing (Nov 21). Debuting: Magnum, P.I. (CBS). Ending: The Rockford Files; Shoestring.</p> <p>Fashion: Power dressing, epitomised by the wide shoulder of TV's Dallas.</p> <p>Visual arts: Enzo Cucchi, Ferocious Painting; Rainer Fetting, Large Shower. Exhibitions: Pablo Picasso Retrospective at the Museum of Modern Art, New York City (May - September 1980).</p>

<p>recording of The Clash's 'Bankrobber' in Manchester. Date N/K The Patrol play at The Mayflower in Gorton, replacing Adam and the Ants, who had broken down on the motorway. Date N/K The Patrol record their only demo, recorded on a 4 track in a Rusholme studio. Limited to one hundred copies, the demo has 3 songs: Jail Of The Assassins, Too Many Tonnes and 25 Rifles. It is the first recording of Ian (bass) and John (guitar) together. Date N/K The Patrol play Dunham Massey village hall, where they share a bill with Suburban Chaos and Corrosive Youth.</p> <p>November The Patrol play their final gig, at South Trafford College (admission 50p), sharing a line-up with Scorched Earth and Strange Behaviour. 16 Gary Mounfield's 18th birthday. 24 John Squire's 18th birthday.</p>	<p>May 18 Ian Curtis of Joy Division hangs himself in his Macclesfield home. His death comes just days before Joy Division are scheduled to begin their first U.S. tour.</p> <p>September 25 Led Zeppelin drummer John Bonham is found dead at age 32.</p> <p>December 8 John Lennon is shot dead outside of his apartment building in New York City.</p>	<p>Romero is killed by gunmen while celebrating Mass in San Salvador. At his funeral 6 days later, 42 people are killed amid gunfire and bombs. April 7 The U.S. severs diplomatic relations with Iran and imposes economic sanctions, following the taking of American hostages on 4th November 1979. 30 Iranian Embassy Siege: Six Iranian-born terrorists take over the Iranian embassy in London. May 4 Yugoslav President Tito dies. 5 SAS retake the Iranian Embassy; 1 terrorist survives.</p> <p>June 10 The African National Congress in South Africa publishes a statement by their imprisoned leader Nelson Mandela calling for an end to Apartheid.</p> <p>October 15 James Callaghan announces his resignation as Leader of the British Labour Party. 27 Six Provisional Irish Republican Army prisoners in Maze prison refuse food and demand status as political prisoners; the hunger strike lasts until December. November 4 In the U.S. presidential election, Republican challenger and former Governor Ronald Reagan of California defeats incumbent Democrat President Jimmy Carter in a landslide victory. 12 The NASA space probe Voyager I makes its closest approach to Saturn, when it flies within 77,000 miles of the planet's cloud-tops and sends the first high-resolution images back to scientists on Earth. 20 The Gang of Four trial begins in China.</p>	
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<p>1981</p> <p>Art created by John Squire in this year (details of artwork included here, if not documented elsewhere on site): None.</p> <p>February 20 Ian Brown's 18th birthday.</p>	<p>45s: Kim Carnes, Bette Davis Eyes; The J. Geils Band, Centerfold; Ultravox, Vienna; The Human League, Don't You Want Me; The Jam, That's Entertainment; Blondie, Rapture; The Go-Go's, Our Lips Are Sealed; Queen & David Bowie, Under Pressure; AC/DC, Back in Black; Olivia Newton-John, Physical; Psychedelic Furs, Pretty in Pink; Billy Idol, Dancing with Myself; Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers, The Waiting; Jon and Vangelis, I'll Find My Way Home. LPs: Duran Duran, Duran Duran; Prince, Controversy; Adam and the Ants, Prince Charming; Phil Collins, Face Value.</p> <p>February 14 Billy Idol leaves Generation X to begin a solo career.</p> <p>April 4 Bucks Fizz wins the Eurovision Song Contest with Making Your Mind Up.</p>	<p>January 4 Sheffield police arrest Peter Sutcliffe, the Yorkshire Ripper. 19 U.S. and Iranian officials sign an agreement to release 52 American hostages after 14 months of captivity. 20 Ronald Reagan succeeds Jimmy Carter, to become the 40th President of the U.S. 21 The first De Lorean DMC-12 automobile rolls off the production line in Dunmurry, Northern Ireland. February 13 Rupert Murdoch buys The Times and The Sunday Times for £12 million. 14 A fire at the Stardust Nightclub in Artane, Dublin, ROI, kills 48 and injures 214 people. March 1 Bobby Sands, an IRA member, begins a hunger strike for political status in Long Kesh prison (he dies on 5th May, the first of 10 men). 11 Chilean President Augusto Pinochet is sworn in for another 8-year term. 30 U.S. President Ronald Reagan is shot in the chest outside a Washington, D.C. hotel by John Hinckley, Jr.. April 10 IRA hunger-striker Bobby Sands wins the Fermanagh and South Tyrone by-election.</p>	<p>Cinema: Raiders of the Lost Ark, Superman II; Mad Max 2: The Road Warrior; An American Werewolf in London; Chariots of Fire; Nine to Five; Arthur; Excalibur; Blow Out; Mephisto; Escape from New York. d. William Holden (Nov 12).</p> <p>Fiction: Samuel Beckett, III Seen III Said; Thomas Harris, Red Dragon.</p> <p>Non-fiction: Maya Angelou, The Heart of a Woman; Viktor Suvorov, The Liberators.</p> <p>TV / Media: Debuting: Only Fools and Horses (BBC1); Dynasty (ABC); Brideshead Revisited (Granada); Bullseye (ITV); The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy (BBC2); Postman Pat (BBC1); Pigeon Street (BBC); Smurfs (NBC); The Kids of Degraassi Street (CBC). Ending: Charlie's Angels; The Waltons; The Muppet Show.</p> <p>Fashion: The New Romantic fashions, with great hair experimentation, characterised by an extravagance of strange hair colours and cuts. d. Edith Head (Oct 24).</p> <p>Visual arts: Fred Williams, Drifting Smoke; Anselm Kiefer, Innenraum; Richard Serra, Tilted Arc.</p>
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<p>1982</p> <p>Art created by John Squire in this year (details of artwork)</p>	<p>45s: Duran Duran, Hungry Like the Wolf & Rio; Simple Minds, Glittering</p>		<p>Cinema: Blade Runner; E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial; Rocky III;</p>

<p>included here, if not documented elsewhere on site): None.</p> <p>April 10 Alan Wren's 18th birthday.</p>	<p>Prize; Roxy Music, More Than This & Avalon; The Jam, Town Called Malice & Beat Surrender; Madness, House of Fun & Our House; Dexy's Midnight Runners, Come On Eileen; The Stranglers, Golden Brown; Toto, Rosanna; Marvin Gaye, Sexual Healing; The Cars, Since You're Gone; A Flock of Seagulls, I Ran (So Far Away); Adam Ant, Goody Two Shoes; Fleetwood Mac, Hold Me & Gypsy; Tony Basil, Mickey; Phil Lynott, Old Town.</p> <p>LPs: Michael Jackson, Thriller; Kate Bush, The Dreaming; Prince, 1999, ABC, The Lexicon of Love.</p> <p>May 21 Manchester's Hacienda club opens.</p>	<p>January 26 Unemployment in the UK increases by 129,918 to 3,070,621, a post-war record.</p> <p>March 9 Charles Haughey becomes Taoiseach of ROI.</p> <p>19 The Falklands War approaches: Argentines land on South Georgia Island, precipitating war.</p> <p>April 2 Falklands War begins, with Argentina's invasion of the Falkland Islands.</p> <p>May 12 Spanish priest Juan Hernandez tries to stab Pope John Paul II with a bayonet during the latter's pilgrimage to Fatima, Portugal.</p> <p>26 Aston Villa win the European Cup, beating Bayern Munich 1-0.</p> <p>June 14 The Falklands War ends with surrender by Argentina.</p> <p>July 11 Italy beats West Germany 3-1 to win the 1982 World Cup, held in Spain.</p> <p>July 20 The Provisional IRA detonates 2 bombs in central London, killing 8 soldiers and wounding 47 people.</p> <p>August The home computers, Commodore 64 and Colecovision, are both released.</p> <p>20 Lebanese Civil War: A multinational force lands in Beirut to oversee the PLO withdrawal from Lebanon.</p>	<p>Porky's; An Officer and a Gentleman; Pink Floyd The Wall; Sophie's Choice; Tron; Gandhi. d. Henry Fonda (Aug 12), Ingrid Bergman (Aug 29), Grace Kelly (Sep 14).</p> <p>Fiction: Steve Jackson and Ian Livingstone, The Warlock of Firetop Mountain; Stephen King, The Running Man. d. Philip K. Dick (Mar 2).</p> <p>Non-fiction: Tom Peters, In Search of Excellence.</p> <p>TV / Media: Channel 4 is launched; the first program broadcast is game show Countdown (Nov 2). Debuting: Fame (NBC); Late Night with David Letterman (NBC); Cagney & Lacey (CBS); Timewatch (BBC2); Knight Rider (NBC); Cheers (NBC); Countdown (Ch 4); The Comic Strip Presents (Ch 4); The Young Ones (BBC2). Ending: Multi-Coloured Swap Shop; Tiswas; Mork and Mindy; Tom and Jerry. d. John Belushi (Mar 5).</p> <p>Fashion: Headbands become fashionable.</p> <p>Visual arts: Robert Sherman, Carousel In The Country; Jean-Michel Basquiat, Donut Revenge. Photographer Jacqueline Livingston's gallery in Soho, London, is placed under FBI surveillance because of accusations of child pornography.</p>
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	<p>November 5 The Tube is first broadcast on Channel 4.</p>	<p>November 20 University of California, Berkeley executes 'The Play' in a college football game against Stanford. December 7 The first U.S. execution by lethal injection is carried out in Texas.</p>	
<p>1983</p> <p>Art created by John Squire in this year (details of artwork included here, if not documented elsewhere on site): None.</p> <p>Ian holds a party for his girlfriend's 21st birthday at his flat in Charles Berry Crescent, Hulme, at which he meets Northern Soul's Geno Washington. Geno strongly encourages Ian to become part of a band.</p>	<p>45s: Cyndi Lauper, Time After Time; The Smiths, This Charming Man; Prince, Little Red Corvette; Michael Jackson, Beat It; New Order, Blue Monday; U2, New Year's Day; Depeche Mode, Everything Counts; Fiction Factory, (Feels Like) Heaven; Duran Duran, Is There Something I Should Know?; The Clash, Rock the Casbah; Africa, Toto; Yes, Owner of a Lonely Heart; Spandau Ballet, True; Simple Minds, Waterfront; Kajagoogoo, Too Shy; Howard Jones, New Song; Altered Images, Don't Talk To Me About Love; Tracey Ullman, They Don't Know; Level 42, The Sun Goes Down (Living It Up); Orange Juice, Rip It Up; Adam Ant, Puss 'n Boots & Strip; Bananarama, Cruel Summer; Nena, 99 Luftballons; The Pretenders, Back on the Chain Gang & 2000 Miles; R.E.M., Radio Free Europe; Stevie Nicks, Stand Back & If Anyone Falls; Seona Dancing, Bitter Heart. LPs: David Bowie, Let's Dance; The Police, Synchronicity; Phil Collins, Hello, I Must Be Going!; Madonna, Madonna; Huey Lewis And The News, Sports; The Chameleons, Script of the Bridge; James Last, The Rose of Tralee and Other Irish Favourites; Eurythmics, Sweet Dreams (Are Made of This); Brian Eno, Apollo: Atmospheres and Soundtracks; Paul Young, No Parlez; Cocteau Twins, Head over Heels; Tears for Fears, The Hurting.</p> <p>February 4 Karen Carpenter dies</p>	<p>January 22 Björn Borg retires from tennis after winning 5 consecutive Wimbledon championships. February 7 Iran opens an invasion in</p>	<p>Cinema: Return of the Jedi; Scarface; Koyaanisqatsi; Staying Alive; WarGames; 48 Hrs.; Superman III; Risky Business; Octopussy; National Lampoon's Vacation; Educating Rita; Flashdance. d. Norma Shearer (Jun 12); David Niven (Jul 29).</p> <p>Fiction: Salman Rushdie, Shame.</p> <p>Non-fiction: Susan Oliver, Odyssey: A Daring Transatlantic Journey.</p> <p>TV / Media: Debuting: The A-Team (NBC); Breakfast Time (BBC1); Good Morning Britain (TV-am); The Black Adder (BBC1); ThunderCats; Blockbusters (ITV). Ending: Little House on the Prairie; Quincy, M.E..</p> <p>Fashion: Increase in popularity of leg warmers by their appearance in movies such as Flashdance.</p> <p>Visual arts: Julian Schnabel, Cabalistic Painting; Stephen Farthing, The School at Rome; Christo and Jeanne-Claude, Surrounded Islands. d. Joan Miró (Dec 25).</p>

	<p>from a cardiac arrest due to anorexia nervosa.</p> <p>April 30 Muddy Waters dies from a heart attack.</p> <p>May 16 Michael Jackson performs Billie Jean at Motown 25th Anniversary Special.</p> <p>December 28 Dennis Wilson of the Beach Boys dies.</p>	<p>the southeast of Iraq.</p> <p>March 8 U.S. President Ronald Reagan calls the Soviet Union an "evil empire."</p> <p>April 18 The U.S Embassy is bombed in Beirut, killing 63 people.</p> <p>May 17 Lebanon, Israel, and the U.S. sign an agreement on Israeli withdrawal from Lebanon.</p> <p>June 9 Margaret Thatcher wins a landslide General Election victory (42% of the popular vote) over Michael Foot.</p> <p>July 15 The Nintendo Entertainment System goes on sale in Japan.</p> <p>September 1 Korean Air Flight 007 is shot down by a Soviet Union jet fighter when the commercial aircraft enters Soviet airspace; all 269 on board are killed.</p> <p>October 2 Neil Kinnock is elected leader of the British Labour Party. 4 Richard Noble sets a new land speed record of 633.468 mph, driving Thrust 2 at the Black Rock Desert, Nevada. 25 Microsoft Word is first released. 27 Pope John Paul II visits his would-be assassin Mehmet Ali Ağca in prison to forgive him.</p> <p>November 11 Ronald Reagan becomes the first U.S. President to address the Diet, Japan's national legislature.</p> <p>December 9 The Australian Dollar is floated, by Federal treasurer Paul Keating. 10 Military rule ends and democracy is restored in Argentina. 17 A Provisional IRA car bomb kills 6 Christmas shoppers and injures 90 outside Harrods in London. 31 Brunei gains independence from the U.K.</p>	
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